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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: David SCHAIBLE, et al.
Serial No.: 10/010,907
Filed: November 2, 2001
For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
MICROCRYSTALLINE CELLULOSE**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

May 8, 2002

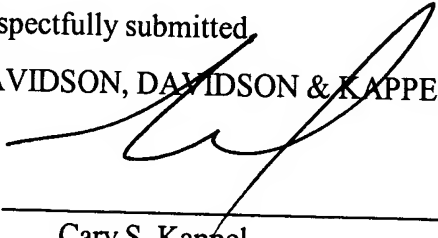
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on January 18, 2002 for two (2) months from March 18, 2002 to May 20, 2002.

The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0552 in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the two month extension fee and also to charge any additional fees which are determined to be due.

Respectfully submitted
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